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SUBJECT: SWAPO DELEGATION IN HOLLAND

1. A THREE-MAN DELEGATION FROM THE SOUTHWEST AFRICAN PEOPLES ORGANIZATION (SWAPO) VISITED THE NETHERLANDS SEPT. 22. THE GROUP (DEPUTY PRESIDENT MISHAKE MUYONGO, FOREIGN AFFAIRS SECRETARY PETER MUESHIHANGE AND INFORMATION SECRETARY PETER KATJAVIVI) HAD TALKS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER VAN DER STOEL, DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION MINISTER PRONK AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARLIAMENTARY FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. GON MADE NO STATEMENT CONCERNING DISCUSSIONS.

2. MUYONGO TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWING THE MEETINGS THAT THE GON AND SWAPO SHARE "IDENTICAL VIEWS ON NAMIBIA," THAT THE TERRITORY SHOULD BECOME INDEPENDENT BEFORE DEC. 31, 1978, THAT THE DECISIONS OF THE WINDHOEL CONFERENCE COULD NOT BE THE BASIS FOR NAMIBIAN INDEPENDENCE AND THAT SWAPO SHOULD PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS. HE SAID THAT VAN DER STOEL TOLD HIM THAT HE WOULD PLEAD NAMIBIA'S CAUSE ON BEHALF OF THE EC-9 BEFORE THE UNGA AND WOULD CONSULT WITH THE OTHER
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MEMBERS OF THE NINE ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF INCREASING

PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICA. ACCORDING TO MUYONGO, DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD WITH MINISTER PRONK ABOUT HOW TO SPEND THE THREE-MILLION GUILDERS (APPROX. US\$1.2 MILLION) IN DUTCH AID EARMARKED FOR NAMIBIAN REFUGEES IN ZAMBIA AND ANGOLA.

3. SOUTHERN AFRICAN AFFAIRS CHIEF IN THE MFA TELLS US THAT MUYONGO'S ACCOUNT IS RELATIVELY ACCURATE. SWAPO DELEGATION TOLD DUTCH THAT THEY WERE PREPARED TO DISCUSS NAMIBIAN INDEPENDENCE DIRECTLY WITH GOSA, EITHER ALONE OR WITH PARTICIPANTS FROM THE WINDHOEK CONFERENCE. UNDER QUESTIONING, SWAPO REPS SAID THAT WINDHOEK CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE SUPPORTIVE OF SOUTH AFRICA, BUT CLEAR IMPLICATION WAS THAT SWAPO WAS NOT REJECTING WINDHOEK GROUP ENTIRELY. THEY TOLD DUTCH THAT SWAPO WAS MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENTS IN SOUTHWEST AFRICA WHICH DID NOT FULLY SUPPORT SWAPO POSITION. SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED WERE DR. DE VRIES OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND A MR. AWALA (PHONETIC).

4. DUTCH OFFICIALS GOT IMPRESSION THAT SWAPO WAS BEGINNING TO MODERATE ITS CLAIM TO BE ONLY REPRESENTATIVE OF NAMIBIAN PEOPLE, ALTHOUGH MOVEMENT PROBABLY NOT YET PREPARED TO STATE AS MUCH IN PUBLIC. MUYONGO TOLD FOREIGN MINISTER THAT SWAPO WANTS FREE ELECTIONS IN NAMIBIA. IF THEY ARE DEFEATED IN ELECTIONS THEY WOULD ABIDE BY RESULTS, BUT THEY ARE NOT PREPARED TO ACCEPT SOUTH AFRICAN PUPPET GOVERNMENT.
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